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Dear Sir:

This is to notify you, on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy, the head of the agency that caused the secrecy order to be issued on the below identified patent application, that an affirmative determination has been made that the national interest requires that the following invention continue to be kept secret and that the publication of the application or the grant of a patent continue to be withheld:

U.S. patent application serial number: 09874465

Filed: 04 JUN 2001

Inventor: James C. Butts ET AL


Title: Torpedo Mounted Dispenser Incorporating A Shock Mount Bumper

Prosecuted by: (X) GOVT. () CONTRACTOR () UNKNOWN PARTY

Navy case number: 78757

The current secrecy order expiration date is: 25 MAR 2004. Accordingly, the Secretary of the Navy recommends that the secrecy order be renewed.

Sincerely,



TIFFANY A. McNAIR,
By direction of
Chief of Naval Research